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Hi Matt,

Just sending an email to follow up on our phone conversation.

As I mentioned, we'll be arriving in Paradise on Monday and will likely be there until Thursday morning.

Here's what I have on my schedule so far, there's quite a bit we're gonna hope to document while we're there. Also things are a bit loose right now on the itinerary but hopefully we can tighten that up some.

### **Monday:**

morning - arrive to Paradise  
afternoon - meet with you  
evening - press conference

### **Tuesday-Wednesday:**

Site visits from dawn to dusk to the following:

- Children's Community School
- Paradise High School
- Theatre on the Ridge
- Terry Ashe Rec Center
- Paradise Ridge Southern Baptist
- Feather River Hospital

These are also on our wish list for Tuesday to Wednesday.

- Visit to town hall with mayor
- Visit to library with librarian or someone in the library administration
- Visit to a popular restaurant with the owner

If there are any other crucial sites around the community that are still standing and you think are worth us highlighting, let me know.

Also if he hasn't contacted you already, a colleague of mine Bedel Saget is planning on reaching out to coordinate ride alongs with Police and/or Fire.

Thanks again for helping out with this, it'll turn out great. Looking forward to meeting!

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Hey Matt,

Hope all is well. Just wanted to update you on where are before we head over to Paradise. Here are some sites we are hoping to highlight, but haven't been able to get in touch with a good person to represent each place.

- Paradise Community Park and Depot
- Paradise Branch Library
- Paradise Performing Arts Center
- Paradise Alliance Church

Here are the sites where we've made contact with people and are planning to document:

- Theatre on the Ridge
- Town Hall
- Paradise High School
- Terry Ashe Recreation Center
- Children's Community School
- Paradise Ridge Southern Baptist
- Paradise police and fire
- Old Barn Kitchen

We've also been in contact with Feather River Hospital and they're still coming up with a representative to meet with us.

Don't mean to overwhelm you as I know this is a hectic time but here are a few other questions I have:

- For the sites that we've yet to talk to people about, do you know of anyone we could reach out to?
- Do you know of any experts in the local history or demography of paradise that I could get in touch with?
- I've read that the Feather River Hospital is the largest employer in the town, what are some of the other highest employers? (Maybe top 5 or 10)
- Also apart from all of those sites I've listed, are there any others that could help us paint a true picture of the town, from what's left standing? Something like award winning restaurants or cultural institutions or the oldest local businesses. Places that are large gathering sites on a weekly basis or places that are the largest gathering sites on an annual basis. Anything else you could think of would be helpful.
- Could you put us in touch with someone that can provide school enrollment numbers?

- Is there any catalogue of trees in Paradise? I've seen some counties that maintain data on this. Mostly just curious how many there are in town limits.
- What's the highest elevation point in the area that we could access? Anywhere that overlooks the town, even slightly would be helpful.

I know that's quite a bit to unpack but thanks again for your help on this. We want to make this as best as we possibly can. Looking forward to meeting with you!

Best,

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Hi Matt,

Here's the story: <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2018/12/26/us/paradise-california-camp-fire.html?action=click&module=Top%20Stories&pgtype=Homepage>

Best to see on a laptop but works on your phone too!

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